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SUBJECT: BRIGHTER ECONOMIC PROSPECTS

1. RECENT PRESS REPORTS HAVE SPOKEN OF NEW ESTIMATES BEING PREPARED BY GOI ECONOMISTS WHICH SHOW SIGNIFICANTLY STRONGER ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE IN 1976 THAN ANTICIPATED WHEN LATEST FORECAST WAS PUBLISHED IN MARCH. THE NEW DATA ARE INCLUDED IN A REVISED "NATIONAL BUDGE," I.E., THE GOVERNMENT'S ECONOMIC FORECAST, WHICH REPORTEDLY WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE CABINET LATER THIS MONTH.

2. ACCORDING TO THE PRESS, THE NEW INDICATORS FORECAST FOR 1976 INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

GNP - INCREASE OF 3 PERCENT IN REAL TERMS;

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION - 5 PERCENT INCREASE;

PRIVATE CONSUMPTION - INCREASE OF BETWEEN 2 AND 4 PERCENT;

EXPORTS - INCREASE OF 20 PERCENT, WITH REDUCTION IN TRADE

DEFICIT OF \$400 MILLION.

3. COMMENT: WHEN ASKED ABOUT ACCURACY OF PRESS REPORTS, MINISTRY OF FINANCE OFFICIAL DECLINED TO CONFIRM THEM ON GROUNDS THAT CURRENT STUDY HAD NOT BEEN COMPLETED AND WAS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. HE DID SAY, HOWEVER, THAT HIS MINISTRY WAS "VERY PLEASED" WITH PERFORMANCE OF ECONOMY, PARTICULARLY EXPORTS, SO FAR THIS YEAR.

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